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SUBJECT: ETHIOPIA: POST ADVISES MFA ON ARB III PROCEEDINGS

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Classified By: Political/Economic Section Chief Michael C. Gonzales for
reasons 1.4 (B) and (D).

¶1. (C) Ambassador and Pol/Econ Chief informed State Minister for Foreign Affairs Dr. Tekeda Alemu about the pending Administrative Review Board (ARB) proceeding for Ethiopian national Mohammed Ahmed BINYAM and requested that the Ethiopian Government (GoE) provide Post with written comments on Mr. Binyam or regarding the pending Board by December 27. Post detailed the ARB proceedings and purpose and requested the GoE's assistance in contacting Mr. Binyam's relatives to provide them the opportunity to present written submissions of their own.

¶2. (C) Dr. Tekeda was familiar with Mr. Binyam's case, but provided no other indication of how the GoE may view him or his case. Dr. Tekeda did request information on when and where Mr. Binyam was originally detained. Post will advise the Department if/when the GoE submits information on this case.

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